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For: THERMOFORMED FUEL TANK
                  FUEL DELIVERY SYSTEM AND
                  ASSEMBLY METHOD

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1. 14)

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

☒ Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (check at least one of the following):

☐   Previously submitted:

☐   Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.

☐   Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____.

☐   Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

☐   Other: _____

☒ Attached is/are:

☐   An Information Disclosure Statement

☒   An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings

☐   New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability

☐   Other: _____

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☐ Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 i)).

☐ Small Entity Status:

 ☐ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

 ☐ A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no._____/_____ and such status is still proper and desired.

 ☐ Is no longer desired.

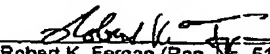☒ Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

 ☒ A Request fee of $790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

 ☐ A suspension processing fee of $_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)

 ☐ An additional filing fee of $_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (_____ additional independent claims and/or _____ additional total claims).

 ☐ An extension fee of $_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a _____-month extension of time.

☒ Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

 ☐ A check in the amount of $_____ is enclosed.

 ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1500 (VISTEON GLOBAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.) in the amount of $790.00. A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

 ☐ A payment by credit card in the amount of $_____ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).

 ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1500 (VISTEON GLOBAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.). A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

December 6, 2004
Date
    Robert K. Fergan (Reg. No. 51,674)